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TO AMEMBASSY REYKJAVIK PRIORITY  
INFO COMICEDEFOR KEFLAVIK ICELAND

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LIMDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, PGOV, IC

SUBJECT: PRIME MINISTER COMMENTS ON MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

1. IN BRIEF CONVERSATION WITH DEPARTMENT OFFICERS AT AIRPORT, PRIME MINISTER HALLGRIMSSON SPECULATED THAT OPPOSITION POLITICAL PARTIES WOULD SEEK TO FORM COALITION IN REYKJAVIK AND EXCLUDE INDEPENDENCE PARTY (IP) FROM DECISIVE ROLE ON CITY COUNCIL. DURING THIS DELICATE NEGOTIATING STAGE, PM SAID HE FELT HE NEEDED TO BE ON-THE-SPOT AS IP LEADER.

2. HALLGRIMSSON ALSO INDICATED THAT IP WOULD INTRODUCE FOREIGN POLICY ISSUES INTO NATIONAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN TO HIGHLIGHT OPPOSITION OF FAR LEFT PEOPLES' ALLIANCE PARTY TO ICELANDIC MEMBERSHIP IN NATO AND CONTINUED PRESENCE OF ICELAND DEFENSE FORCE. VANCE

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